" (f) Yes.

" (g) Yes.

" (h) Yes. The General Superintendent of the Public Works Workshop is a member of the Board of Directors. The workshop is under the personal supervision of a Junior Superintendent of the Public Works Workshops and the Technical Expert of the Directorate is in general charge of the workshop.

As the full complement of Co-operative Workshop Schemes, for which this workshop was intended to produce machinery have not been formed and as it is not possible for it to rely on private orders, the Government have since ordered its dissolution after completing the works on hand."

Ministers' tours.

* 132 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to lay on the table of the House a statement giving particulars of districts visited, number of days spent and travelling allowances drawn by the Hon'ble Ministers from 1st April to 31st July 1947?

THE HON. SRI B. GOPALA REDDI :—" A statement* showing the particulars is laid on the table of the House."

SRI B. BHIMA RAO :—" Is it for the purpose of administration that these Ministers tour or is it only for private pleasure? "

THE HON. SRI B. GOPALA REDDI :—" Not for private pleasure, Sir. It is no pleasure to travel in these days." (Laughter.)

The Tungabhadra Industries, Limited, Kurnool.

* 133 *Q.*—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the authorized capital and the subscribed capital of the Tungabhadra Industries, Limited, Kurnool, are;

(*b*) what the amount of subscribed capital held by this Province and of the Ceded Districts in particular is;

(*c*) whether one of the conditions originally agreed to was to employ local people for a certain percentage of posts in the factory;

(*d*) whether the company also agreed not to install expellers;

(*e*) whether any of the conditions originally imposed were altered subsequently to placate the company and, if so, what the altered conditions are;

(*f*) whether the Articles of Association of the company permit them to engage themselves in all kinds of business besides manufacture of Vanaspathi;

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(*g*) whether there have been complaints from the local businessmen of unfair and unequal competition by the company in trade in general;

(*h*) whether the company has issued its Statutory Report and the balance sheet; and

(*i*) whether the Government have considered at any time the need to take steps to prevent exploitation of the backward area by the Big Business from the north?

THE HON. SRI H. SITARAMA REDDI :—" (*a*) Rs. 1 crore and Rs. 30 lakhs respectively.

" (*b*) Rs. 16 lakhs and Rs. 9,00,120 respectively.

" (*c*) No, Sir. A suggestion was however made to the company to encourage the appointment of local people to a good number of the higher posts.

" (*d*) No, Sir.

" (*e*) No, Sir.

" (*f*) Yes. But the Government have been informed by the Company's representatives that the Company will not expand its activities beyond oil and allied products.

" (*g*) Yes, Sir.

" (*h*) Yes, Sir.

" (*i*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the Press Note[a] No. 123, dated 18th September 1946, issued by the Government."

Andhra Paper Mills, Limited, Rajahmundry.

* 134 *Q.*—SRI S. B. ADITYAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state—

(*a*) the shares issued, shares paid-up, debentures issued and other particulars relating to the capital of the Andhra Paper Mills, Limited, Rajahmundry;

(*b*) the capacity of the Mills;

(*c*) the production of the Mills since 1942, in tons (year-war);

(*d*) the periods during which the Mills were closed, and the reasons for closing;

(*e*) whether allegations of blackmarketing of paper were made against the management, during the war period;

(*f*) if so, whether the Government held any inquiry or took any other action, and with what results;

(*g*) whether the company has been directed to be wound up under the orders passed by the High Court;

(*h*) whether the Government have taken any, and, if so, what steps to keep the Mills in production; and

(*i*) whether the Government propose to take over the Mills and run them as State concern?

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[a] Printed as Appendix III on pages 727–729 infra.